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### GLOWBUGS Digest 271

Topics covered in this issue include:

- 1) RE: bending brakes  
by cfb@novum.com
- 2) Regen help  
by herr@ridgecrest.ca.us (Michael Herr)
- 3) Shelby Hamfest Dinner Get-togethers, etc.  
by Ornitz\_Barry <ornitz@eastman.com>

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Date: Fri, 23 Aug 96 22:23:44 PDT  
From: cfb@novum.com  
To: Multiple recipients of list <glowbugs@theporch.com>  
Subject: RE: bending brakes  
Message-ID: <Chameleon.960823224219.cfb@net.indra.com>

On Fri, 23 Aug 1996 18:21:12 -0500 (CDT) Andy Wallace wrote:

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>From: "Roberta J. Barmore" <rbarmore@indy.net>

>Subject: Moderately interesting things

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> The mail-order discount tool companies have been selling toy bending  
>brakes, about 20" wide, for under \$20. They're not fancy but they work

>just fine, \*much\* better than hardwood blocks and C-clamps. And  
>galvanized steel makes a decent chassis, far cheaper than most suppliers  
>sell them for and in the exact size you want!  
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>----- End Included Message -----  
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>Bobbi (or anyone on GB) -- what's a good source for  
>these things, preferably with catalogs?  
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>I think homebrew stuff needs two things to look proper:  
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>-- well made cabinets and chassis  
>-- good quality labels or lettering!  
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>I have a '37 Jones RADIO HANDBOOK and all the stuff looks  
>tempting, if only we could find (or MAKE) decent chassis  
>material.  
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>73,  
>--Andy  
>wallace@mc.com  
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Most tool people know about Enco Manufacturing Company. They have a low-to-medium-price catalog of tools & supplies. I bought one of those inexpensive brakes from them and it works fine for small stuff. I've purchased a lot of items from them over the past few years, and everything is good to great, especially for the prices. Be careful about buying the very lowest-priced stuff. Generally, you get what you pay for, and with tools, it never hurts to spend more money up front.

Their #: 800-873-3626

Charles F. Bacon  
cfb@novum.com  
Current BA restoration project: HQ-129-X

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Date: Sat, 24 Aug 1996 10:42:55 -0700 (PDT)  
From: herr@ridgecrest.ca.us (Michael Herr)  
To: glowbugs@theporch.com  
Subject: Regen help  
Message-ID: <v01530500ae45de13cde3@[199.120.150.92]>

Hello gang,

Well, I built a grounded grid preamp for the regen using a 6C4 and it works well in reducing the antenna swing problem. Now i am ready to attack the general receiver signal strength problem. This is a heathKit GR-81 regen receiver, using the common 12AT7 / 50C6 / 35W4 combination. The receiver just doesn't seem that sensitive as it should be. This is both with and without the preamp. For example, the highest band, about 5 megs though 18 megs, is relative dead from 5 to 9 megs. About 9 to 13 megs it is reasonably well. This is not a antenna match problem, as it persists with a wide variety of antennas and matching combos. On 40, using a dipole, I can read strong signal, but only at max volume and only with a headset. Checked the tube and put in known good ones, with no improvement. I have lost / misplaced the manual and am looking for a copy. Any ideas out there as to where I could start in trouble shootin'?

73

Mike WA6ARA

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Date: Sat, 24 Aug 1996 20:19:39 -0400  
From: Ornitz\_Barry <ornitz@eastman.com>  
To: boatanchors@theporch.com, glowbugs@theporch.com  
Cc: Shelby96@jackatak.theporch.com, nick@cs.unc.edu  
Subject: Shelby Hamfest Dinner Get-togethers, etc.  
Message-ID: <199608250019.AA37495@eastman.com>

Through some round-about devious back doors, this message SHOULD arrive at Phil's machine with an address that you can reply to directly. If it does not, remember my incoming mail address is <ornitz@eastman.com>.

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Now for the details. We have tentatively planned at least two Boatanchor get-togethers for the Shelby hamfest weekend (next week, Labor Day weekend). Since a number of us will be staying in the Gastonia, NC area, we decided to go to an excellent Chinese restaurant in Gaffney, SC on Friday night. Having eaten there a number of times, even making large detours to go there, I can say the food is good. And Firebottle Jack and many others here know I love to eat and from my waistline, I haven't missed too many meals. The dinner will be Dutch treat, but to get a private area we must insure them of the standard 15% gratuity. We are looking at a tentative time of 7:00 PM.

The problem is, I need a reasonably good number to tell them how many to set up for. Thus... ANYONE WANTING TO JOIN US ON FRIDAY NIGHT SHOULD SEND ME EMAIL EARLY NEXT WEEK. I have to let them know the number by noon on Thursday. We don't have anything formal planned - just a friendly meal among friends and fellow Boatanchorites. Larry Ware is

coming up from Florida, a 500+ mile trip. Jack is coming in too. I think Haney has a ballgame on Friday night or he would be there. I know Nick England, Bob Keys, Marty Reynolds from Hotlanta, Tom Bridgers, Rhett George, Al Tirevold, Dave Hockaday and about a dozen or more infamous Boatanchorites plan to be at the hamfest, - and many more I do not know about yet. I hope as many as possible will join us Friday night.

Now on Saturday night, it has been suggested that we also have another Dutch Treat dinner but closer to Shelby. Several places have been suggested to me already including some "fish camp" type places where the food is good and hot, the iced tea is cold, and the fish is often greasy! After a lot of searching, I found two of these. [Amazing what you can do searching over the Internet!] They are Kelly's Seafood and Shelby Fish Camp, both on East Dixon Boulevard (which I think MAY be US-74, so someone correct me). Plans have not been finalized yet for this dinner so I am open to suggestions about which place or even another place. THOSE WANTING TO JOIN US ON SATURDAY NIGHT SHOULD ALSO EMAIL ME EARLY NEXT WEEK. \_Please\_ tell me which night you plan to be there - hopefully both. Also give me your suggestion on the place. I will call the "winning" restaurant and try to make some arrangements. Since everyone will be tired after an exhausting day in the flea market, we want someplace close - where we can sit down and relax.

During the hamfest, it has been suggested that the hexagonal hotdog stand near the center of the grounds would be a good place for folks to meet around lunchtime each day. Last year, we sort of gathered around Nick England's spot (I think it was his). Of course Nick was out hunting for unopened Heathkits! Nick suggested a particular Boatanchor frequency for those of us with those newfangled 2-meter FM rigs. Nick, how about telling us again?

We may actually have more Boatanchorites at Shelby this year than there was at Dayton. I hope so and I hope we can get large crowds for dinner each evening.

To encourage everyone to make reservations, I won't post the names of the restaurants yet [heh, heh]. But if you make a reservation, I will email that information to you, and even how to find them. We are not yet limited to the number of people who can join us, so tell your friends and have them make a reservation too. Also if you have to duck out at the last minute, I would appreciate being informed by Friday morning - since that is when I will be leaving from Kingsport, TN.

OK, enough for now. EMAIL ME FOR RESERVATIONS, PLEASE! TELL ME WHICH NIGHT (OR BOTH). AND TELL ME WHERE YOU WANT THE GROUP TO GO SATURDAY NIGHT. None of the restaurants are fancy or high-priced. I believe, though, that Shelby is in a dry county. [BOO! HISS!] Gaffney was not.

Also BE SURE TO GIVE ME YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS IN THE BODY OF YOUR NOTE.  
Some email, especially that from AOL, arrives without a return address  
here.

Finally make sure the following email address is used for me:

ornitz@eastman.com  
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I hope to see lots of you there. 73 es CUL

Barry L. Ornitz WA4VZQ

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